

Alexandria Gazette.
MONDAY EVENING, DEC. 10, 1903.
LOCAL MATTERS.

THE TOWN tomorrow at 7:10 a. m. and at 4:30 p. m. High water at 11:10 a. m. and 11:20 p. m.

WATERING FACILITIES.—For this season, Wednesday night, rising temperature on Wednesday night, light to fresh northerly wind.

SPICULATE CHRISTMAS TRADE.—The Christmas trading season is now upon us. The Christmas holiday itself is fast approaching. There is a great deal of business in the city, but so far there has been an absence of effort on the part of many dealers to exploit the season to the advantage of the city. It is now two weeks before Christmas Day, and the Christmas goods are not bought within the next ten days will probably not be bought at all. The purchasing public needs prodding to get into the Christmas spirit, and if merchants sit idly by and wait for customers to come to them unsolicited, the chances are that they may have a good supply of Christmas novelties to store away for next month and to carry over until Christmas 1904. The proper thing to do is to advertise at once, stimulate the trade and impart to the streets and squares of the city an appearance of activity and life. The Gazette offers several inducements to advertisers. Its circulation covers not only this city, but the neighboring counties, whose people read here and who, from long acquaintance, have learned to consult its pages before making their purchases.

MEETING OF COMMITTEES.—A small number of patrons of the Washington, Alexandria, and Mount Vernon Railway held another meeting Saturday night in the rooms of the Business Men's League. The meeting was called to order by Mr. Julian Taylor, chairman. Upon his motion Charles Taylor was added to the permanent committee, whose duty it is to look after the interests of the commuters and represent them when they deem fit. Mr. Taylor said that it would be best to have the work in the hands of the committee, and when they see fit they could call a general meeting. Mr. Taylor said the committee had many suggestions against the company, and would work intelligently in the interests of the commuters. He thought the best way to get anything from the railroad company was to go to them from time to time, and when they felt like to have the entire support of the commuters. Mr. Taylor thought they should induce the city council to have the rate of speed within the city limits. The committee will wait until next week and make another report to the council again and make another report to the council again and make another report to the council again.

DEATHS.—Robert F. Roberts, son of Mr. Alfred C. Roberts, aged seventeen years, died at his parents' residence, near Woodlawn, Fairfax county, on Saturday, after an illness of five months, during which time everything that medical science could devise was resorted to but without avail. He was a young man of handsome appearance, with courteous manners and lovable disposition and his death is a sad blow to his father and mother and to a large circle of relatives and friends.

THE "POLITICAL TEA" by the Seventh Virginia Regiment Chapter (postponed from last Tuesday night on account of the inclement weather) will be given tomorrow night in Lee Camp Hall at eight o'clock and promises to be quite a charming affair. The chapter cordially invites all friends to be present and promises to entertain them with music, recitations and other attractions, while pretty girl attendants will serve them with refreshments. A reception will be placed at the door to receive the little contribution bags and no further charge will be made for the entertainment. All who are not able to attend the tea can send the little bags to the secretary, Mrs. Walter W. McCallery, in care of Mr. D. Harry Appich, 525 King street.

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PERSONAL.—Congressman D. E. Finley, of South Carolina, was the guest of Mr. Henry F. Robertson yesterday.

Miss Ada P. Janney, daughter of Mr. Phineas Janney, has accepted a position as head nurse in the Bay View Hospital in Baltimore.

Captain Ben Brown and wife are in Alexandria on a visit to Mrs. J. G. Holcombe—[Amherst Era].

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Quinn have returned from their bridal tour and are now residing at 310 south Lee street.

Cards are out for the marriage of Mr. Lewis Keille and Miss Elizabeth Head, of Fairfax county.

Miss Florence Milston and Mr. George Reynolds will be married on the 19th inst.

Mr. George H. Rucker, Clerk of the County Court, has sufficiently recovered to be able to attend to his official duties.

Miss Sallie Martin is quite sick at her home on Patrick street.

Captain Gannon, who was injured last summer by the explosion of the tug Templar in Baltimore harbor, and whose leg was subsequently amputated, has returned to his home in this city.

PROPOSED NEW BUILDING.—The Business Men's League of this city has made arrangements for pressing upon Congress the need of an enlargement of the United States building here. The building, which was erected in the late '50s, is commonly called the post-office, but the postal authorities occupy only the first floor, the second being used until lately for the customhouse and third story for the United States Court; but the coming of the internal revenue office has required a readjustment of the accommodations, and for over a year the offices have been in each other's way. The lot at Prince and S. Asaph streets is upon the highest point in the city and is large enough for a much more extensive building than now occupies it. The League will hold a meeting in their rooms to formulate and suggest plans whereby the building may be enlarged. Several citizens have already approached Representative John F. Rixey on the matter, and he, it is said, will introduce the bill in the House, asking for an appropriation which will be sufficient to do the work.

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MEETINGS.—Meetings were held in this city today of the Standard Brick Co., and the Washington Sand Company, at which directors were elected. They are Washington corporations with Virginia charters.

The Standard Brick Company elected the following directors: Fred Mottus, John M. Iler, Charles E. Pearson, Hugh J. Phillips, William A. Richards, W. T. Walker, B. P. Walrass, Henry P. West and Theo. L. Halbrook.

THE CHURCHES yesterday were well-attended at all the services. At St. Mary's Church Rev. Father Davitt, of Georgetown College, officiated, and at the M. E. Church South services were conducted by Rev. F. L. Day. The other pulpits were occupied by the regular clergy.

COUNTY SUPERVISORS.—The County Supervisors met today and audited all outstanding accounts. The school board asked for an extension of time for settling their annual report and this was granted until the next meeting of the board.

LOCAL BREVITIES.
Alexandria Council, National Union, meets tonight.

A public telephone station has been established at Mr. Thos. Terrell's store at Bailey's Cross Roads.

If the slow process of improving the street around the Confederate monument continues the work, it is said, will be completed about Memorial Day, 1902.

A game of basketball will be played at Army Hill on Friday night between the Georgetown Cadets, of Washington, and the Alexandria Light Infantry team.

The regular monthly meeting of the Ancient Order of Hibernians was held yesterday evening in St. Mary's Hall and considered a routine business was transacted.

A drawing this morning for a handsome guitar took place at Mr. George Brown's, on Royal street. From the fifty numbers placed in a hat Master Stewart Brown drew the lucky number (46), the corresponding number being held by Florist Chas. Kraemer.

Place cards were posted around the Wilkes street tunnel on Saturday announcing that "Society Herbert" would leave that night for Norfolk and that he would hold a reception in a popular grocery store before he left. This, of course, attracted a crowd and that night the young man was escorted to the Norfolk boat by a large delegation of admirers who endeavored the occasion by blowing horns.

GET THE MAIL ORDER TRADE.—The mail order business has grown to such dimensions that Congress will probably enact the pending measure for the special classification and delivery of mail packages of merchandise. This trade is chiefly between the large cities and their neighboring communities, and that is why the Gazette is the best of mediums in this section of the State for mail order advertising.

The New City Directory.
The publishers of the City Directory are already at work on the 1904 edition. Many changes are noted which are hardly noticeable from day to day. Over one-third of the names and addresses are changed each year. Some names are stricken out, some inserted for the first time and some residences are changed. "It is well for our progressive business men that the Directory is published annually, and that it is so complete and so connected with it long enough to warrant liberal support, for they always canvass the city thoroughly and issue a book as nearly perfect as a directory can be. The work will be published in five weeks."

DRY GOODS.
LANSBURGH & BRO.,
Washington's Favorite Store.

We're open evenings until Christmas.

We properly charge on purchases of \$5 or more within a radius of 100 miles.

HOLIDAY HANDKERCHIEFS.
Ladies' Fancy Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, in plain white, 1-4, 1-2, and 1-inch. Worth 12 1/2 cts., to go at..... 5c
Ladies' Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, Worth 15c, Special at..... 10c
Embroidered-edge, Handworked, Initial Handkerchiefs. They are fancy lace and inserting trimmed. Worth 25c, for..... 12 1/2 cts.
Ladies' Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched and embroidered; these would be cheap at 50c. Special holiday price..... 25c
All Handkerchiefs for presentation boxed gratis. Centre aisle, main building.

HOLIDAY SILVERWARE.
Genuine Cut Glass Suits and Peppercorns, with sterling silver tops..... 38c
Genuine Cut Glass Puff Jars, with heavily carved sterling silver tops..... 98c
Heavy Sterling Silver Polished, worth 95c, for..... 48c
Sterling Silver Beakers, hand-some engraved. Special..... 48c

We carry a large assortment of Brass and Oxidized Clocks and Jewelry, stamped free.

Free Daily Deliveries to Alexandria.

Lansburgh & Bro.,
420 to 426 Seventh street, WASHINGTON, D. C.

HOLIDAY GOODS.

DIAMONDS,
RICH CUT GLASS,
Jewelry & Silverware.

We are showing an unusually large, bright and attractive stock of the jewelers' and silversmiths' handiwork.

You are invited to inspect our goods, and, bear in mind, a visit to our store doesn't imply an obligation to purchase.

Goods reserved and delivered at convenience of purchaser.

OPEN EVENINGS.

ACTON'S
606 KING STREET.

THERE WILL BE A MEETING OF the Co-operative Trades Association TOMORROW (Tuesday) AFTERNOON at 3 o'clock at the Business Men's League Room. All ladies are urged to be present, as this is the first meeting of the season.

MISS VIRGINIA BURKE, Pres.
MRS. J. E. ALEXANDER, Sec.

CALIFORNIA UNFITTED CHERRIES, 10c per lb., at W. P. WOOLLS & SON'S.

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SWAN BROS.,
424-426 KING STREET.

ONE PRICE.

OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS.

We are well equipped for the holiday rush with a choice assortment of useful Xmas presents. We are showing new Pocketbooks, new Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs, plain and with initials, new Chenille Table Covers, new Table Dinner Napkins, new Linen Table Cloths, white and colored, Colored Linen Table Sets, Pure Ice Wool Shawls, New Neckwear, Fascinators, Fans, Fancy Mirrors, Fancy Hat Pins, Fancy Brooch Pins, Ladies' and Misses' Bracelets, Fancy Garters, Umbrellas and hundreds of other useful Christmas gifts.

French Flannels.
We have All-wool French Flannels of red, black, pink, cream, green, oil rose, white, light and dark blue. The yard..... 50c

Flannel Waists.
We have received a very pretty new line of All-wool Flannel Waists, trimmed very prettily with fine quality good braid, red, blue and black. Each..... \$1.98

Pocket Books.
We are now showing a very large assortment of new Leather Pocket Books of all kinds and prices. These are of splendid quality.
15, 25, 50, 75c & \$1.

Side Satchels.
A good Leather Side Satchel makes a very useful gift. We have a new line and they are very low in price for first-class quality.
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Night Robes.
Ladies' and Men's Flannel Night Robes, well made, neat, very warm and comfortable. Each..... 50 and 98c

Window Shades.
We sell great quantities of Window Shades because we sell them so reasonably. They are full size, well made, with good fixtures, most all the desirable colors.
Good Liner Shades, Each..... 25c
Good Felt Shades..... 10c

THE JANUARY DESIGNEE, NOW READY, 10c.
THE JANUARY FASHION SHEETS FREE.
AGENTS FOR THE STANDARD PATTERNS.

DRY GOODS.

Woodward & Lothrop
10th, 11th and F Sts., N. W.

Holiday Dress Patterns
The most popular fabric, imported and domestic, are represented, and the lengths are simple—graduated according to the various widths of the goods. And they are put in shape to make them Christmas.

COLOR DRESS PATTERNS.
Half wool, all wool, silk and wool, consisting of Cashmere, Cheviots, Henriettes, Homespuns, and two toned mixtures, in a vast variety of colorings.
\$1.75, \$2, \$2.50, \$3, to \$7.50 the pattern.

BLACK DRESS PATTERNS.
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COTTON DRESS PATTERNS.
Consisting of Prints, Percales, and Ginghams, and including the new designs for spring 1904. A very great variety of new and beautiful effects.
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We also offer a recent purchase of **DRESS GOODS** FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

At Very Special Prices as Follows:
HOME-SPUN MIXTURES.
In popular Oxford gray, brown, green, blue, and red—all two-tone effects, strictly all wool and 39 inches wide.
32 1/2 cts. the yd. Regular price, 50c.
Lot 2 consists of **HOME-SPUN AND CHEVIOTS.**
In bright, new and wanted colorings, including brown, Oxford mixtures, castors, and blues—strictly all wool and ranging in width from 50 to 54 inches.
55c a yard.
Manufactured to sell for \$1.00.
These will be cut in any length desired and put in appropriate gift shape if you wish.
First floor—Tenth street.

Artistic Lamps for Christmas Gifts
Mountings of many sorts, Banquet, Library, and Piano Lamps—and in the large collection there are hardly two alike. Prices range from \$1.00 to \$25.00 Each.

Special attention is called to twenty-seven distinct styles which we are now offering with globe, chimney, and central draft burner, complete and ready for use, at..... \$5.00 Each.

Fifth floor,
Down Comforts for Holiday Gifts.
We offer 60 Down and Wool filled Comforts, with coverings of satin, silk, and aseason, in many beautiful patterns, at 33 1/2 per cent. below regular prices.
\$4.00 to \$30.00 to \$45.00.
Value \$6.00 to \$15.00.
Second floor.

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LEICHBURG & SON'S
Bargains That Have No Precedent

Christmas Presents.
Skirts, 50c to \$2.69
Aprons, 25c.
Ladies' Handkerchiefs, 5, 7, 10, 12, 25c, etc.
Fascinators 25 and 50c
Ladies' and Children's Macintoshes at reduced prices.
Cashmere Silk Gloves, 25c.
Ladies' Kid and Castor Gloves, all prices.
All the latest novelties in Ladies' Neckwear.
Pillow Shams, Scarfs in Lace and applique.

Lot of Fine Towels to go at 10, 12, 15, 20 and 25c.
Comforts and Blankets from 50c to \$10.
Ladies' Coats, in tan and black, \$5.
Golf Capes, \$4 to \$10.
Ladies' Tailor made Suits, \$5 to \$12.
Ladies' Dress and Rainy-day Skirts, all styles and prices.
Ladies' and Children's Furs.
Misses' Coats, \$2 to \$5.
French Flannel for waists, 29 to 60c.
Velvets, 50c to \$1.
Boys' Toboggan Caps, 25c.
Ladies' and Gents' Umbrellas, 98c to \$5.
Lace Curtains, 50c to \$5 a pair.

Gents' Dept.
Kid Gloves, \$1.
Castor Gloves, \$1.
Lot of Men's and Boys' Gloves at 25c.
Ties, Bows Scarfs, Four-in-Hand, in the newest designs, 25 cents.
Gents' Handkerchiefs, 5, 10, 15, and 25c, full line.
Best Brand Collars, 10 and 12 cents.
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